



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15267-000]

Allegheny Hydro Group Lock and Dam 4, Inc.; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Competing Applications

On March 21, 2022, Allegheny Hydro Group Lock and Dam 4, Inc., filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower at the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Allegheny River Lock and Dam 4 located on the Allegheny River in Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties, Pennsylvania. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed Allegheny Lock and Dam 4 Hydropower Project would consist of the following: (1) a new 90-foot-wide, 150-foot-long reinforced concrete powerhouse to be located downstream of the Corps dam along the eastern bank; (2) a new 90-foot-wide, 150-foot-long forebay intake area enclosed by reinforced concrete walls; (3) two 5-megawatt (MW) turbine-generator units with a total generating capacity of 10 MW; (4) a new 90-foot-wide by 125-foot-long tailrace; (5) a new 30-foot-wide by 60-foot-long substation with a three-phase step-up transformer; (6) a new 300-foot-long, 69-kilovolt transmission line; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generation of 43,000 megawatt-hours.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FEROnline.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202)

502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>. Enter the docket number (P-15267) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: April 29, 2022.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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